

# HAMPTON HISTORY MUSEUM 2005 EVENTS CALENDAR

#### **FEBRUARY**

# 5th - Black History Month featuring Sylvia Tabb-Lee

2:00pm - 3:15pm

Sylvia Tabb-Lee, a professional historical interpreter of the eighteenth century, will present "The African American Legacy in Colonial Virginia." Using reproduction tools, instruments and clothing, she presents historically accurate storytelling, music and dance that demonstrate how African American slaves preserved their culture and instilled values in their children.

## 7th - Port Hampton Lecture Series

7-8pm

The Restoration of the Herbert House: Hampton's Enduring Landmark

Speaker: Jeff Stargell, Architect

## MARCH

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7-8pm

Exotic Colors: The Zoaves in 19th Century America (Civil War)

Speaker: Margaret Vining, Curator, American Military History Division, Smithsonian Institution

# 19th - Opening of "Let's Play: Pastimes from the Past" Exhibit

March 19 - April 30

"Let's Play" looks back at the ways Americans enjoyed their leisure time at the turn of the 20th century. Topics include toys, imaginative play, parlor games, the return to nature, the fitness craze, the role of organized sports, the rise of the sportswoman, America on wheels, costumes for play, and the "disease of spectatoritis."

## **APRIL**

## 4th - Port Hampton Lecture Series 7-8pm

Jefferson and Adams: A Revolutionary Friendship

Speaker: Bill Barker, Character Interpreter, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

## 16th - 3nd Annual Four Centuries of Fun

10:00am - 4:00pm

Fee: Most activities free, small charge for some games

Explore Four Centuries of Fun in just one day as the Hampton History Museum hosts a family oriented festi-

val showcasing games, activities, and performances drawn from Hampton's long history. Magicians, puppeteers, story tellers, musicians, and clowns will provide entertainment. Children and their parents can participate in crafts and games that highlight Native American, African, and European pastimes of the past 400 years.

## 24th - First Landing Celebration

In cooperation with the Hampton Quadricentennial Commemoration Committee and the Hampton Historical Society, the Museum will commemorate Landing Day on April 24. A brief program will take place at the First Landing marker at the Veteran's Affairs Medical Center. The Museum itself will be peopled for the afternoon with visitors from Hampton's past, including Indians, colonists, sailors, Mary Peake, soldiers, and watermen. In addition, musical entertainment and refreshments will be provided.

## **MAY**

## 2nd - Port Hampton Lecture Series

7-8pm

Topic/Guest Speaker to be Announced

8th - Official opening of "Dressing for Two" Exhibit

Official Opening on Mother's Day, Sunday May 8,

"Dressing for Two" traces the evolution of maternity fashion from the early nineteenth century to the present. This progression in dress is used to illustrate the changing social roles of women in America.

The exhibition blends over 35 costumes with 20 objects to explore the etiquette, attire, furnishings, and child-rearing essentials associated with pregnancy and childbirth. "Dressing for Two" addresses the ever-changing history of maternity in the diversified lives of American women

#### **JUNE**

## 6th - Port Hampton Lecture Series

7-8pm

Slaughter at Roanoke: The Lost Colony and the Two Virginias

Speaker: James Horne, Director, John D. Rockefeller Library, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

For more information, please call the Hampton History Museum on 757-727-1610.